Crude production

*209. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government to increase the crude production and to make good the short-fall of the last year; and

(b) the extent to which the actual production has beeₙ picked up, areawise, during April-June 1992, indicating the comparative figures for the preceding two quarters?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Government have approved the Projects for the development of the Neelam, Mukta, Panna, R-15A, Gandhar fields and the additional development of the L-Il & L-I1I reservoirs in the Bombay High field. Contracts are being finalised in the Fourth Round of Bidding.

(b) The crude oil production during the lost three quarters, is as follow:

-	October-December 1991	January-March 1992	April June 1992
Gujarat	I • 539	1.514	1.496
Assam/Arunachal I .	1.219	1 • 223	1.22S
Tamil Nadu	0082	0. 078	0.078
Total Onshore .	2. 840	2-815	2.802
Bombay Offshore	4. 763	4-612	4.102
Grand Total	7. 603	7.427	6. 904

The decline m oil production in the last quarter is on account of the implementation of the Das Gupta Committee reeomendations among other reasons.

Insurgency in Nagaland

*210. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKT NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFATRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware Of the increased insurgency in Nagaland:

(a) if so, what steps are being taken to combat the problem; and

(c) the number of persons killed by the militants in Nagaland since January, 1991 till the end of June 1992?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various steps have been taken by the Government to combat insurgency in Nagaland: These include declaration of National Socialist Council of Nagaland (NSCN) as an unlawful association under the Unlawful Activities (Preven-